

# Catholic Mission Community of the Sacred Heart & St Margaret Mary, Leicester

19th December 2021

*The Fourth Sunday of Advent (Year C)*



**We Livestream Sunday Mass both on Facebook and on our YouTube channel at 11am**

This weekend—Fourth Sunday of Advent Saturday Vigil Mass at 3pm at St Paul's Polish Centre, Wakerley Road. If you would like to attend please either ring Jan Keller on 2413768 or email [jankkeller@talktalk.net](mailto:jankkeller@talktalk.net) Masses at Sacred Heart Saturday Vigil at 6pm and Sunday Mass at 11 am. These Masses must be booked in advance by emailing the Parish Office or calling Ann on 07415003053.

**Weekday Mass** on Monday 20th and Wednesday 22nd at 10 am

**Advent Penitential Service** Tuesday 21st December 7pm - to help us enter into the Season of Christmas

## Christmas Masses

**Friday 24th December** 3pm (at St Margaret's/St Paul's Polish Church) At Sacred Heart: 6pm, 8pm\* and 10 pm\* (*these Masses are fully booked in Church*) **Saturday 25th December** 11 am **Sunday 26th December** 11 am\*

\*The Christmas Eve Masses at 8 pm and 10pm and the Holy Family Sunday Mass will also be livestreamed and available on Facebook and YouTube. Please note that we will be using the Church, Scout Hut and Guild Hall for these Masses— all Masses must be pre-booked with the Parish Office

**Parish Giving** -monthly standing order forms at back of church or download the form from the parish website, (on side bar under 'Supporting your parish') fill in and send it to us or contact the Parish Office and we can give you the information you need as well as the opportunity to Gift Aid your offerings. **You can transfer** money on a weekly/monthly basis into our Parish Account: Sacred Heart Leicester RCP Account number: 00949284 Sort Code: 30-15-97. Please put your name (e.g. D Smith) in the payment reference and if you normally donate by envelope then add the envelope number too. If this is for a Mass intention please indicate that this is a Mass intention. **Cheque:** Made payable to Sacred Heart RCP. **Collection Tin** at the back of Church—please put your collection/Mass intention (money or envelope) into the tin before Mass or when you leave.

**Prayers for those who are sick or in hospital:** Margaret Murray, Vera McHugh, Corrina Pascale, Josie Campbell, Orla Melbourne, William MacWan, Ann Hinchliffe, Peter Pascale, Bob Cave, Sheila O'Connor, Sheela MacWan, Kathy Barratt, Elaine Thomas, Teresa Knezevich, Pat & Margaret Spicer, John Hare, Fr Tom Toal, Jack Walker, Margaret Weatherhog, Storm Coleman, Micky Snelders, Fr John Daley IC, Please let us know if there is anyone who you would like to pray for— you must have their permission first.

**Second collection this weekend** for Home Mission Sunday and Apostleship of the Sea (both transferred)



**Welcome in Baptism** to Maeva Fernandes

**Catholic Mission of Sacred Heart & St Margaret Mary, 25, Mere Road, Leicester LE5 3HS**

**Parish Priest:** Fr John Lally **Assistant Priests:** Fr Emmanuel Abbem\* & Fr Prince Kurian MSFS\*

(\*resident at Our Lady of Good Counsel, 15, Peebles Way, Rushey Mead LE4 7ZB. Tel 0116 2661621)

**Parish Deacons:** Rev Bill Myers, Rev Séamus O'Looskan **Priest in residence:** Fr John Tavares

**Assisting Priest:** Fr Simon Robson OP **Parish Administrator:** Mrs Ann Hoey work mobile: 07415003053

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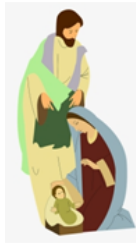
## Mass schedule after Christmas

Monday 27th 10 am Feast of St John  
Wednesday 29th 10 am Feast of St Thomas Becket  
Friday 31st 6 pm Solemnity of the Mother of God  
Saturday 1st 6pm Vigil Mass of Sunday  
Sunday 2nd 11 am Second Sunday of Christmas

**Christmas Offerings** please take an envelope for our Christmas offering for Fr John

**Sincere thanks** once again to our 12th/74th Scouts and Guides for a lovely Christmas Meal again this year. Something they have been doing now for our senior parishioners for many years and it never disappoints. A truly welcome and wonderful gesture. Many thanks to all involved and a very Happy Christmas to you all.

**Preparation for First Holy Communion & Confirmation** - we will begin in January preparation for children Year 3 or above to receive their First Holy Communion and for young people aged 13 and above (Year 9) to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. These will be both celebrated in the Summer months of 2022. Please fill in a registration form available at the back of church or email the Parish Office to register.



## Hymns for Sunday Mass

The angel Gabriel from heaven came,  
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;  
"All hail," said he to meek and lowly Mary,  
"most highly favored maiden." Gloria!

"I come from heav'n to tell the Lord's decree:  
a blessed virgin mother you shall be.  
Your Son shall be Immanuel, by seers foretold,  
most highly favored maiden." Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head;  
"To me be as it pleases God," she said.  
"My soul shall laud and magnify his holy name."  
Most highly favoured maiden, Gloria!

Of her, Immanuel, the Christ, was born  
In Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,  
and Christian folk throughout the world will ever say,  
"Most highly favored maiden." Gloria!

O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here,  
Until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free  
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;  
From depths of hell Thy people save,  
And give them victory o'er the grave.

O come, Thou Dayspring, from on high,  
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

O come, Thou Key of David, come  
And open wide our heav'nly home;  
Make safe the way that leads on high,  
And close the path to misery.

O come, Adonai, Lord of might,  
Who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height,  
In ancient times didst give the law  
In cloud and majesty and awe.

O little town of Bethlehem,  
how still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
the silent stars go by;  
yet in thy dark streets shineth  
the everlasting light.  
The hopes and fears  
of all the years  
are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary,  
and, gathered all above  
while mortals sleep, the angels keep  
their watch of wond'ring love.  
O morning stars, together  
proclaim the holy birth,  
and praises sing to  
God the King  
and peace to all the earth.



*And blessed is the fruit  
of your womb*

How silently, how silently,  
the wondrous gift is giv'n!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
the blessings of his heav'n.  
No ear may hear his coming,  
but in this world of sin,  
where meek souls will  
receive him, still  
the dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,  
descend to us, we pray,  
cast out our sin and enter in,  
be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us,  
abide with us,  
our Lord Immanuel!

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